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Under the provisions of Section 413.031 of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Title 5, Subtitle A of the Texas Labor Code, effective June 17, 2001 and Commission Rule 133.305, titled Medical Dispute Resolution-General, and 133.307, titled Medical Dispute Resolution of a Medical Fee Dispute, a review was conducted by the Division regarding a medical fee dispute between the requestor and the respondent named above. This dispute was received on 5-16-03.

I. DISPUTE

Whether there should be reimbursement for CPT code 97799CP rendered on 2-3-03 in the amount of \$1560.00.

II. FINDINGS

The respondent denied reimbursement based upon "V - Unnecessary Treatment (with Peer Review) and F – Fee Guideline MAR reduction"

The insurance carrier's representative, ____, gave preauthorization approval on 1-16-03 for 20 pain management sessions. Therefore, the insurance carrier violated Rule 133.301(a) by retrospectively denying preauthorized treatment based upon medically unnecessary. The pain management sessions will be reviewed in accordance with the Commission's *Medical Fee Guideline*.

III. RATIONALE

DOS	CPT	Billed	Paid	EOB	MAR\$	Reference	Rationale
	CODE			Denial	(Maximum		
				Code	Allowable		
					Reimbursement)		
2-3-03	97799CP	\$1560.00	\$0.00	V	DOP	Rule 134.600	The insurance carrier indicated that
						Rule	they accepted the charge and
						133.301(a)	payment of \$1560.00 would be
						Medicine GR	made.
						(II)(E)(2)(c)	
							On 3-17-04, the Medical Review
							Division contacted the requestor's
							representative,, and payment has
							not been received.
							Documentation supports billed
							service, reimbursement of \$1560.00
							is recommended.
TOTAL				•			The requestor is entitled to
							reimbursement of \$1560.00.

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IV. DECISION & ORDER

Based upon the review of the disputed healthcare services within this request, the Division has determined that the requestor **is** entitled to reimbursement for CPT code 99779CP in the amount of \$ 1560.00. Pursuant to Sections 402.042, 413.016, 413.031, and 413.019 the Division hereby ORDERS the Respondent to remit \$1560.00 plus all accrued interest due at the time of payment to the Requestor within 20 days receipt of this Order.

The above Findings, Decision and Order are hereby issued this 25th day of March 2004.

Elizabeth Pickle Medical Dispute Resolution Officer Medical Review Division Roy Lewis, Supervisor Medical Dispute Resolution Medical Review Division